



WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image recorder comprising:
- 15 a storage that stores data of a visual broadcast program;
- a playback that plays back the visual broadcast program on the basis of the data stored in the storage; and
- 20 a questioner that makes a question of whether or not the data of the visual broadcast program is to be automatically deleted from the storage after the playback of the visual broadcast program is terminated.
- 25 2. The image recorder according to claim 1 wherein the storage includes a randomly accessible recording medium.
3. The image recorder according to claim 1 wherein the storage includes a hard disc built in
- 30 the image recorder.
4. The image recorder according to claim 1 wherein the questioner is designed to make a question of whether or not a partial data of the visual broadcast program that has been played back is to
- 35 be automatically deleted from the storage if the playback of the visual broadcast program is terminated at the middle.